

# LIFE IN CHRIST MINISTRIES, INC.

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February 7, 2006

Federal Communications Commission Attn: Office of Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Petition for exemption from closed captioning requirements for the program "Life in Christ" aired on PAX WPPX 61 PHILADELPHA, Sundays at 9 a.m.

Dear Secretary,

Life In Christ Ministries, Inc. hereby petitions for exemption from closed captioning requirements, pursuant to two parts of Section 79.1 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1.

#### I. Section 79.1(f)

Congress has defined "undue burden" to mean "significant difficulty or expense." We hereby request exemption from the Commission's Closed Captioning Rules in that compliance would impose an undue burden, defined in <u>Section 79.1(f)</u> of the <u>Commission's rules</u>, <u>47 C.F.R. § 79.1(f)</u>, as outlined below.

Difficulty & Expense to Life In Christ Ministries:

1) The nature and cost of the closed captions for programming

We have solicited captioning services from several companies and the responses to these solicitations are as follows:

Video Caption Corporation 26 Highland Way Stanfordville, NY 12581 1-800-705-1203

New Day Media 8282 S. Memorial Suite 102 Tulsa OK, 74133 1 (918) 250-4588 Cost 52 half-hour programs \$200.00 / 30 minutes 52 programs = \$10,400.00

52 half-hour programs \$245.00 / 30 minutes 52 programs = **\$12,740.00** additional \$10.00 per / \$520.00 7201 Westfield Avenue • Pennsauken • New Jersey • 08110 • (856) 488-9070 • Fax: (856) 488-0283

CPC Computer Prompting & Captioning 1010 Rockville Pike, Suite 306 Rockville, MD 20852 1-800-977-6678 52 half-hour programs \$450.00 / 30 minutes 52 programs = **\$23,400.00** 

<u>VanKirk Media</u> 4128 W. Commonwealth Ave., #212 Fullerton, CA 92833 1 (818) 381-1661 52 half-hour programs \$300.00 / 30 minutes 52 programs = **\$15,600.00** 

Our program currently costs \$1,400.00 per 30 minute program with (PAX WPPX 61 PHILADELPHIA).

Yearly broadcasts cost \$72,800 plus \$520.00 for shipping, incurring a total of \$73,320.00 a year, not including other production costs.

In August 2005 our per program cost were \$1100.00 plus shipping. We were preempted by another program willing to pay more money and lost our program until this January 1, 2006. For additional cost of \$100.00 per program we began our programming again. At the end of December PAX informed us that our program was in jeopardy of being preempted again unless we paid an additional \$200.00. As of this writing, our current cost is \$1,400.00 per airing. There is still a possibility of someone else preempting us and another rate hike; with the added cost of closed-captioning compliance, we would have a difficult time remaining on the air.

(2) The impact on the operation of the provider or program owner;

Currently our program editor and director has many other duties within the organization, which include network administrator, teacher, minister of music and advertising designer/coordinator. The amount of time available for editing and producing the format for broadcast is already at its limits. If we had to hire more staff or outsource any of his/her responsibilities, the increased cost would necessitate stopping the production and airing of the program.

(3) The financial resources of the provider or program owner; and

Our financial resources are not a fixed set of resources, they are dependent upon the generosity of those who are a part of this organization and the values they keep. Unlike PBS television we don't host telethons to raise money for our broadcast. The broadcast is funded by the weekly giving of members. Some weeks we meet budget; some weeks we do not. In light of current giving trends, international, national tragedies, most charitable organizations are tighting the belt of their operational cost.

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(4) The type of operations of the provider or program owner.

We have one computer capable of handling the editing software, plus a few volunteer camera operators who assist with the live recording of our service. The Life in Christ program consists of our Sunday service, which must be edited, finalized and delivered to PAX by Friday. Closed-captioning would only increase the turnaround time, almost making it impossible to finalize by Friday.

## II. Section 79.1 (d)(8)

We also would like to be considered exempt under § 79.1 Closed captioning of video programming, (d) Exempt programs and providers, (8) locally produced and distributed non-news programming with no repeat value; programming that is locally produced by the video programming distributor, has no repeat value, is of local public interest, is not news programming, and for which the "electronic news room" technique of captioning is unavailable.

Our Program is aired on PAX WPPX PHILADELPHIA. Our last Nielson ratings were between 13,000 and 17,000 possible viewers. In relation to the Philadelphia broadcasting market, this is a small grasp of the market share, more along the lines of local public interest.

We are not a news program. The "electronic news room" technique of captioning is unavailable. Our local Public Access channel repeats many programs throughout the month which have no repeat value, other than to give others time to see their children or topics of interest. We air our program for those who cannot come to service in person, for instance those bedridden or housebound. We are not aired nationally, only being aired locally.

If you require further information, please contact David Dobbins at 856-488-9070 or via email at dobbinsd@whcc.org.

Sincerely,

Nancy S. Palmer

President

Life In Christ Ministries, Inc.



# VIDEO CAPTION CORPORATION

DATE:

January 20, 2006

TO:

Bode Abodunde / Life In Christ Ministries

FROM: Justin K. Macedonia / Video Caption Corporation

RE:

Closed Captioning Proposal

#### Dear Bode:

It was a pleasure speaking with you and having the opportunity to discuss close captioning your show. Video Caption Corporation very much appreciates the opportunity to submit this proposal to caption programming for Life In Christ Ministries.

As we discussed, Video Caption Corporation (VCC) is a full service captioning communications firm specializing in offline captioning services for broadcasters. corporations, independent producers, schools, libraries, churches, and government agencies.

VCC is proposing to close caption the following programs at the discounted rates set forth below. Reduced rates reflect discounts for volume and for religious programming.

Program_Titles	# Shows / Length
Life In Christ	52 half-hour shows
Total number of shows	52
Pricing	
Captioning Rate Breakdown: Roll-up Captioning	\$300 / 30 minutes
Reduced Rates for Life In Christ Ministries: Roll-up Captioning	\$200 / 30 minutes
Caption Encoding	Included

Bode, we will always do our very best to make this process as easy and affordable as we can. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. I will call you in a few days to follow up. I am certain we can develop a partnership that is mutually beneficial.

Thank you for your time and your consideration of our proposal. We look forward to working with you.

## **Contact Information**

I am available if you have any questions about this proposal. Please contact me anytime.

Telephone: (800) 705-1203 Facsimile: (845) 868-1188

Email: jkmacedonia@vicaps.com

Website: www.vicaps.com

Justin K. Macedonia Video Caption Corporation

## **David Dobbins**

From: bode

bode [whtv@whcc.org]

**Sent:** Friday, January 20, 2006 12:52 PM

To:

dobbins@whcc.org

Subject: BodeWorldHarvest\_NJhalfhourshow[2] close caption

## Closed Captioning Quote from New Day Media

For Bode	
Address:	World Harvest
Phone:	
Fax:	
Email: bo	de [whtv@whcc.org]
Length 28	3:30
52 weeks	
Top l	eft 2 line roll up
New	Day Media, Inc. will provide transcription
Clien	t will provide audio mp3 file of program before tape is sent
Betas	SP/BetaCam to BetaSP Captioning
NDM	will provide BetaSP tape with label
	ping and Handling extra (Please provide return address and FedEx ber for shipping.)

Rate: \$ 245.00 per program

Checks payable to: New Day Media Inc.

Mailing Address: 8282 S. Memorial Suite 102

Tulsa OK 74133 Phone: (918) 250-4588

Email: kat@newdaymedia.com

Please fax back the Customer information attached and send us the date you expect to have the tape to us and the date you need it back. Also communicate to us how you want the label to read on the finished CC Master i.e. prog# etc.

NDM Representative:	 	 <del></del>	
Accepted By:			
Printed Name:		 	



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- 15 years of experience
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## Video Media

- Videotape: All formats from VHS to Digital Betacam
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## **Specials**

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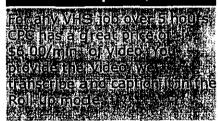
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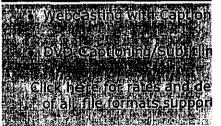
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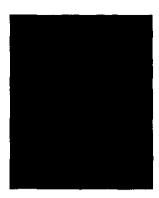


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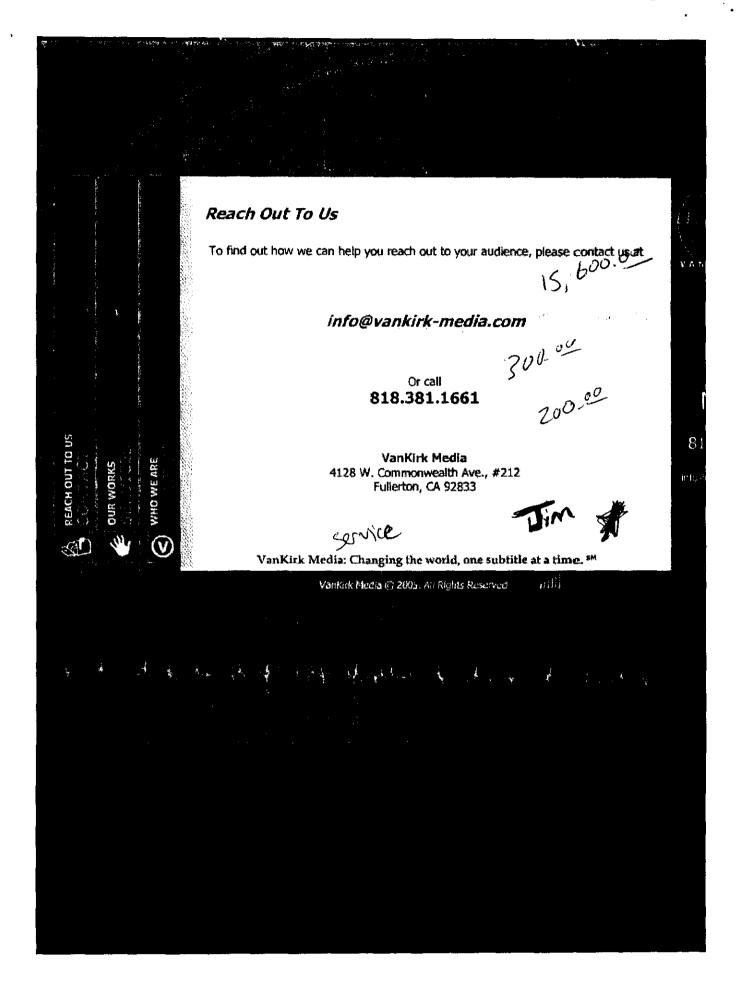
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### **David Dobbins**

From: WHedit [whtv@whcc.org]

Sent: Friday, January 20, 2006 1:44 PM

To: dobbins@whcc.org

Subject: Fwd: Closed Captioning Proposal - Video Caption Corp.

### Begin forwarded message:

From: "Justin K. Macedonia" <jkmacedonia@vicaps.com>

Date: Fri Jan 20, 2006 1:31:28 PM US/Eastern

To: <whtv@whcc.org>

Subject: Closed Captioning Proposal - Video Caption Corp.

Dear Bode,

It was a pleasure speaking with you earlier today. Attached is our proposal to provide captioning services for Life In Christ Ministries.

I appreciate your asking us to submit pricing for your programming and I'm sure that you will find our rates to be very competitive.

Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions or comments that you may have regarding this proposal.

I can promise you that we will make this a very simple process for you and your staff.

Thank you for your time and your consideration of our proposal. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Justin Macedonia

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